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## SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

**'08 MJ 8107**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ) Magistrate's Case No.:

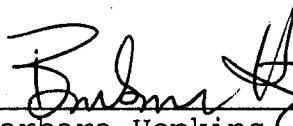
Plaintiff, ) COMPLAINT FOR VIOLATION OF

v. ) Title 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1)  
Lorenzo Garcia-Medina ) Possession of a Controlled  
Defendant ) Substance with Intent to  
Distribute )  
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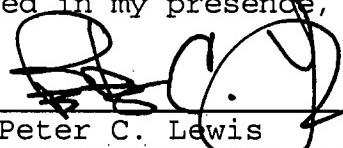
The undersigned complainant duly sworn states:

That on or about February 4, 2008, within the Southern District of California, defendant Lorenzo Garcia-Medina did knowingly and intentionally possess with intent to distribute approximately 131.02 kilograms (288.85 pounds) of marijuana, a Schedule I Controlled Substance, in violation of Title 21 United States Code, Section 841(a)(1).

And the complainant states that this complaint is based on the attached Statement of Facts, which is incorporated herein by reference.

  
Barbara Hopkins, Special Agent  
Drug Enforcement Administration

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, February 5, 2008.

  
Peter C. Lewis  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE



1 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

2 Lorenzo Garcia-Medina

3 Statement of Facts

4 I, Special Agent Barbara Hopkins, of the Drug Enforcement  
5 Administration declare the following is true and correct:

6 On February 4, 2008, at approximately 2:15 AM, United States  
7 Border Patrol Agents (USBPA) N. Dosmann, A. Dario, and R. Andrews  
8 were performing their official duties as Border Patrol Agents at  
9 the Highway 78 checkpoint near Palo Verde, California. At that  
10 time, Agents Dosmann, Dario and Andrews observed a Chevrolet  
11 Silverado, later identified as being driven by Lorenzo GARCIA-  
12 Medina, pull off to the side of the road approximately one quarter  
13 of a mile south of the Border Patrol checkpoint. Agent Andrews  
14 observed the driver turn on and off the lights of the vehicle  
15 several times.

16 USBPA Andrews pulled behind the vehicle at which time the  
17 driver, GARCIA, exited the vehicle and walked toward Agent Andrews.  
18 GARCIA presented his United States passport to USBPA Andrews. USBPA  
19 Andrews requested and received permission to look inside the  
20 vehicle. USBPA Andrews observed six bundles wrapped in plastic  
21 underneath a blanket in the back seat. Agent Andrews also observed  
22 six plastic containers in the bed of the truck each containing  
23 plastic wrapped packages. Agents located a total of 12 bundles  
24 wrapped in plastic with a total weight of approximately 131.02  
25 kilograms of marijuana.

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28 The plastic containers and plastic wrapped bundles were

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removed from the Silverado and taken into the checkpoint for testing. USBPA Dario performed a NIK test on one of the bundles which contained a green leafy substance. The substance tested positive for the properties of marijuana.

DEA Special Agent Victor Vazquez advised GARCIA of his rights per Miranda. GARCIA stated that he was offered \$3,000 by an individual named "Spikey" to transport marijuana in the above mentioned Chevrolet Silverado from Yuma, Arizona to Phoenix, Arizona.

At approximately 11:45 AM, SAs Hopkins and Vazquez transported GARCIA to the Imperial County jail.

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